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TITLE OF INVENTION: ELECTRIC MOTOR MAGNETIC FLUX PATH STRUCTURE

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# Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)

(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

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## **DETAILED ACTION**

#### **REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: the record of prior art does not show an electric motor comprising a coil spring structure containing iron and disposed about at least a portion of the permanent magnet structure and contacting the permanent magnet structure to define a flux path for the motor as shown in claims 1 and 11 or a flux path structure for an electric motor wherein the flux path structure comprising a coil spring structure containing iron and disposed about and contacting the permanent magnet structure as shown in claims 8 and 17.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nestor Ramirez can be reached on (703) 308-1371. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 872-9306.

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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-1782.

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DANG LE PRIMARY EXAMINER